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TREASURER'S REPORT

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1915.

Receipts

Rec'd of the Treasurer, year 1914	\$652.99
County	131.95
Town clerk, dog license	30.60
State treas. maintenance money	89.23
State treas. railroad tax, savings bank tax and literary fund	184.41
Chas. H. Ford overdraft hedge- hog money	4.20
Collector, year 1914	2,713.31
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	\$3,806.69

Paid Out by Treasurer on Orders of Selectmen.

Paid State Treasurer, state tax	\$312.00
Charles E. Cooper, county treas.	210.02
C. O. Barney, printing order book and check list	4.50
Dr. F. C. Manchester, return of death	.25
Dr. F. A. Bogardus, return of four births	1.00
Chas. H. Ford, filling moth blank notice	.75
John Peterson, postage on moth blanks	1.20
C. H. Ford, wood for Town house	2.25

C. O. Barney, printing town reports and inventory notices	20.65
Mrs. Claude Murray, insurance on Town House	25.00
Wm. R. Eastman, postage	.75
William R. Eastman, recording births and deaths	2.75
Walter H. Ford, postage	1.25
Chas. H. Ford, expenses to Concord to meet tax commission	5.00
Chas. H. Ford, expense to Lebanon to meet tax commission	3.00
Chas. S. Corbin, expense to Lebanon to meet tax commission	3.00
John Peterson, expense to Lebanon to meet tax commission	3.00
John Peterson, for copy of transfers from Register of Deeds office	1.82
Edson C. Eastman, collector's book	1.83
John Peterson, expense to Lebanon to settle with County Commissioners	3.00
John Peterson, expense to Concord to meet tax commission	4.50
John Peterson, repair on Town House door	.75
John Peterson, expense to Lebanon to settle with County Commissioners	3.00
Walter H. Ford, expense to Concord to Road Convention	4.25
School treasurer, school money, literary fund and dog tax,	637.70
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\$1,253.22	

Town Officers' Bills.

Paid Wm. R. Eastman, town clerk	\$10.00
Walter H. Ford, town treasurer	15.00
John Peterson, 1st selectman	56.50
Chas. S. Corbin, 2nd selectman	34.00
Chas. H. Ford, 3d selectman	53.50
Chas. S. Corbin, services as supervisor year 1912-13 and spring 1914	8.00
Chas. S. Corbin, auditor, 1913-14	2.00
Chas. H. Ford, services as moderator 1914	3.75
N. F. Ford, librarian	3.00
E. E. Eastman, ballot clerk	2.00
C. A. Ford, ballot clerk	1.00
W. H. Ford, ballot clerk	2.00
M. B. Eastman, ballot clerk	2.00
F. R. Conrow, ballot inspector	1.00
R. K. Bryant, supervisor	4.00
Wm. R. Eastman, supervisor	4.00
Albert L. Young, supervisor	3.00
Albert L. Young, auditor	1.00
E. E. Eastman, collector, 1914	45.00
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\$250.75	

Work in Cemetery.

Paid Chas. H. Ford, work in cemetery	\$5.50
Marcus L. Staples, work in cemetery	3.15
Forest Staples, work in cemetery	1.10
Walter H. Hill, work in cemetery	2.45
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\$12.20	

Work on Cemetery Fence.

Paid Chas. H. Ford	\$2.00
Charles Peterson	1.75
Rudolph Peterson	1.75
Chas. H. Ford	1.75
Walter H. Ford, posts for cemetery fence	10.90
John Peterson, work on fence	1.75
Frank H. Wendell for wire and labor	15.80
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	\$35.70

County Pauper Bills.

Paid F. C. Manchest, M. D., for medical attendance to J. P. Flanders	\$16.00
Dr. P. W. Wing, medical attendance to J. P. Flanders	3.00
A. H. Barney, goods furnished J. P. Flanders	15.66
Fred H. Wendell, sawing wood for J. P. Flanders	3.50
John Peterson, for cutting and drawing and splitting wood for J. P. Flanders	18.62
John Peterson for splitting wood for J. P. Flanders, May 1914	2.50
A. H. Barney, goods furnished J. P. Flanders	60.44
Henry Brock, cutting wood for J. P. Flanders	1.50
Henry Brock, cutting wood for J. P. Flanders	3.90
Henry Brock, splitting wood for J. P. Flanders	1.75

John Peterson, for milk and potatoes furnished J. P. Flanders	\$10.75
A. H. Barney, goods for J. P. Flanders	38.83
W. H. Whiting, for livery, taking J. P. Flanders to Canaan	3.00
Chas. H. Ford, expense taking Flanders to Haverhill	6.00
John Peterson, taking Flanders to Haverhill and getting clothes for J. P. Flanders in Canaan	6.88
John Peterson taking commissioner up to Flanders' and back to depot	3.00
Sidney Gilman, mileage to take Flanders to County Farm	7.65
A. J. Barney, clothing for J. P. Flanders	14.10
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	\$217.08

Painting Town House Roof.

Paid E. M. Allen for paint	\$1.80
David A. Diamond, for painting Town House roof	1.75
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	\$3.55

For Guide Boards.

Paid John Peterson, freight on guide boards	.65
John Peterson, guide board posts, delivering and setting	4.75
C. H. Ford, putting up guide boards	1.75

United Construction Co., guide
boards

15.75

\$22.90

Abatements for 1914.

Serovic Austin	\$2.00
Ray Austin	2.00
Oscar Maxam	2.00
Tom Fields	2.00
Benjamin Fields	2.00
Ernest R. Flanders	2.00
Leon Wescott	2.61

\$14.61

Hedgehog Bounty.

Paid Melvin B. Eastman	\$.60
Selectmen, hedgehog bounty	36.20

\$36.80

Selectmen's over draft \$4.20 paid back by the Selectmen to the town treasurer, leaving a total due the town from the state for the year	\$32.60
Due from last year	38.60

Total due the town from the state \$71.20

Work on Road Before Town Meeting.

Paid Chas. A. Ford	\$1.75
Chas. D. Whittier	2.45
David A. Diamond, damage to field for winter road	3.00

Rufus K. Bryant	2.80
John Peterson	5.38
Frank Marshall	4.02
H. N. Eastman	1.58
O. A. Maxam	1.58
Albon M. Simonds	1.05
Russell Sanborn	2.35
Harry A. Ford	1.53
David A. Diamond	.35
Fred Wendell	.70
Fred L. Clark	1.75

\$30.29

Money Paid to Road Agents.

Paid Walter H. Ford, March 28, 1914	\$25.51
Walter H. Ford, May 30, 1914	38.38
Walter H. Ford, June 27, 1914	296.12
Walter H. Ford, Oct. 30, 1914	201.84
Walter H. Ford, Dec. 26, 1914	44.23
Walter H. Ford, Feb. 15, 1915	29.72
Walter H. Ford, Feb. 16, 1915	12.32

\$648.12

Permanent Improvement Fund.

Paid John Peterson	\$6.25
•Fred Conrow	8.75
Chas. Whittier	7.00
Chas. H. Ford	4.38
Elmer Huggett	3.50
Everett Bickford	4.38
Fred H. Wendell	4.38
Chas. Peterson	4.38
H. Corbin	4.38

H. Quimby for grade	3.68
Fred Conrow, for broken shovel	.90
Walter H. Ford, team and men	11.00

\$62.98

Maintenance Highway Money.

Paid Chas. A. Ford	\$3.50
Ralph Peasley	1.75
Fred R. Conrow	12.25
Chas. H. Ford	14.62
E. E. Bickford	2.62
Chas. Peterson	2.62
Fred H. Wendell	2.62
John Peterson	21.75
Fred H. Wendell	3.50
H. Corbin	11.37
Ralph Peasley	3.11
Russell Sanborn	3.50
R. K. Bryant	7.00
Chas. D. Whittier	13.00
Elmer Huggett	5.25
E. E. Bickford	3.50
Chas. H. Ford	3.50
W. Hill	1.75
W. Hill	3.50
Oren T. Brock	7.50
H. J. Brock	5.25
D. A. Diamond	7.00
W. H. Ford	8.00

\$148.46

Maintenance Fund.

Balance in town treasury	.77
Balance in state treasury	.77
Total	<u>\$150.00</u>

Recapitulation.

Amount received by treasurer	\$3,806.69
Expenditures	\$1,253.22
Town officers' bills	250.75
Work in cemetery	12.20
Work on cemetery fence	35.70
County Pauper bills	217.08
Painting Town House roof	3.55
Guide boards	22.90
Abatements	14.61
Work on road before town meeting	30.26
Money paid road agent	648.12
Permanent improvement fund	62.98
Maintenance highway money	148.46
Hedgehog bounty	36.80

Amount paid by Treasurer,

~~\$2,781.63~~\$ 2,736.63

Leaving in Treasurer's hands

~~\$1,980.06~~\$ 1,070.06

WALTER H. FORD,

Treasurer.

This certifies that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ALBERT L. YOUNG,
CHARLES D. WHITTIER,

Auditors.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

Of the Financial Standing of the Town of Orange
For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1915

Valuation of the Town April 1, 1914

Description	No.	Valuation
Polls	67	
Horses	54	\$5,175.00
Oxen	32	2,714.00
Cows	91	4,009.00
Neat stock	11	375.00
Sheep	78	383.00
Fowls	145	95.00
Automobiles	3	1,100.00
Portable mills	5	3,775.00
Wood and lumber not stock in trade		8,590.00
Money at interest		515.00
Stock in trade		8,200.00
Land and buildings, 13,411¼ acres		128,551.00
Factories and their machinery		7,960.00
Total valuation		<hr/> \$171,442.00

Amount of poll tax,	\$ 134.00
Total amount of taxes	2,713.31
State tax	312.00
County tax	210.02
School money	400.00
Text book and scholars supplies	25.00
High school and Academy tuition	80.00
School board salaries	36.00

Truant officer	5.00
Treasurer and clerk's salary	6.00
For repairs, school house No. 6	35.00
Library money	15.00
Highway tax	1,000.00
Maintenance money for repair of state road	60.00
Highway money set aside by the town as provided by law	160.00
Town charges	250.00
Cemetery fence	50.00
Overlay	63.58

Availabilities.

In Treasurer's hands	\$1,070.06
Due from County	131 18
Due from State, hedgehog bounty	71.20
Balance in favor of town	1,272 44
Gain in Availabilities for year	<hr/> \$534 80

JOHN PETERSON,
CHARLES H. FORD,
Selectmen of Orange.

This certifies that we have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ALBERT L. YOUNG,
CHARLES D. WHITTIER,
Auditors.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1915.

Amount rec'd on order of Selectmen	\$648.12
Paid W. H. Ford, work	\$246.98
Orren E. Brock, work	48.15
A. M. Simonds, work	4.46
Weston Stevens, work	1.23
Lester Stevens, work	.78
D. A. Diamond, work	47.73
M. B. Eastman, work	5.59
Russell Sanborn, work	5.77
R. K. Bryant, work	62.47
G. A. Waldron, work	1.40
John Peterson, work and plank	52.35
W. H. Hill, work	25.55
Ralph Peaslee, work	36.75
A. M. Pettes, work	15.75
H. B. Pettes, work	30.62
H. J. Brock, work	5.25
C. H. Ford, work	14.53
H. N. Eastman, grade	.50
Dean Bros., plank	26.88
Morris Peterson, work	1.22
John M. Pierce, work	5.25
W. H. Diamond, work	.87
W. R. Eastman, work	.17
J. W. Hodgdon, work	2.10
E. E. Eastman, work	2.62
C. D. Whittier, work	3.15

Whole amount expended,	\$648.12
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WALTER H. FORD,
Agent.

Report of Trustees of Orange Town Library

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1915

Amount reported in hands of C. H.

Ford Feb. 15, 1915 \$13 70

Paid out during year

5 78

 \$7 92

CHARLES H. FORD, } Trustees.
JOHN PETERSON, }

Report of Librarian

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1915

Number of books in Library 707

“ “ loaned during the year 297

No books purchased during the year, some ordered
but not received.

N. FINETTE FORD, Librarian.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1915.

Receipts.

Unexpended balance for 1914	\$ 76.11
Amount voted for schools	400.00
Literary fund	16.50
High school and Academy tuition	80.00
Free text books and school sunplies	25.00
School board salaries	36.00
Truant officer	5.00
Treasurer and clerk's salaries	6.00
Raised to repair school house, Div. 6	35.00
Dog tax	34.20
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Amount of school money	\$713.81
Paid out by school treasurer,	\$602.67
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Balance in hands of treasurer	\$111.14

Expenditures.

Paid C. A. Ford, slab wood	\$ 3.00
Chas. H. Ford, for wood	6.75
Weston Stevens, sawing wood for school Div. 1,	1.20
Colby Academy tuition of Harold Ford	40.00
Wm. R. Eastman, cleaning vault	.70
Rolland Ford, splitting and sawing wood	1.50
John Peterson, school supplies	9.67

Mrs. Walter Hill, boarding Harold Sanders	23.00
W. L. Pettengill, teaching eleven weeks	110.00
W. L. Pettengill, teaching thirteen weeks	130.00
John Peterson, supplies	4.40
Grafton school board, tuition of Peterson children	100.00
Mrs. Bernice E. Ford, teaching 24 weeks	96.00
Wm. R. Eastman, enumeration cards, year 1913	2.70
Annie E. Ford, cleaning school house, Dist. No. 1,	2.00
W. H. Ford, treasurer and clerk	6.00
John Peterson, member of school board	15.00
Chas. H. Ford, member of school board	10.00
Wm. R. Eastman, truant officer	5.00
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\$564.49	

WALTER H. FORD,
Treasurer.

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WILLIAM R. EASTMAN,
Auditor.

Repair on School House, Dist. No. 6.

Paid Steel ceiling for school house, Dist.	
No. 6,	10.40
John Peterson, work and building	
material	10.78
Chas. H. Ford, work on school	
house	6.50
Chas. H. Ford, work on school	
house	5.25
John Peterson, work on school	
house	5.25
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	\$38.18
Amount left over from 1914,	\$30.96
Amount raised, 1914	35.00
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	\$65.96
Amount expended	\$38.18
Amount unexpended	\$27.78

JOHN PETERSON,
CHARLES H. FORD,
Repair Committee.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD.

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1915.

Number of pupils in Div. 1,	24
Number of pupils in Div. 2,	6
Number of pupils attending school out of town	4
Number of visits by school board	10
Number of visits by parents and others	20
Estimates for Coming Fiscal Year.	
Money required by law	\$292.50
For free text books and scholars supplies	25.00
High school and Academy tuition	40.00
School board salaries	36.00
Truant officer	5.00
Treasurer and clerk's salary	6.00
Literary fund	

JOHN PETERSON,
CHARLES H. FORD,
School Board of Orange.

School Board Report of Perfect Attendance.

Marjoria Ford	Luella Ford
Alice Eastman	Orra Ford
Florence Eastman	Kenneth Ford
Alma Eastman	Eleanor Ford

JOHN PETERSON,
CHARLES H. FORD,
School Board of Orange.

Increase in Public Expenditures

Printed by request of State Tax Commission.

No power has constituted the members of the tax commission guardians of the public in respect to expenditures for the support of government, and they have no disposition to assume that role. Nevertheless, "economy being a most essential virtue in all states," and it being "the duty of legislators and magistrates * * * to countenance and inculcate the principles of * * * economy," all as set forth in the constitution of this state, the commissioners believe themselves to be amply justified in urging, as they have so often urged before, the importance of this subject upon the voters of the state. The public revenue, state and municipal, is the voters' business, and they are responsible, directly or indirectly, for every extravagance affecting it from the inception to the termination of the fund.

Every compulsory contribution levied by public authority upon people or property is in the broad sense of the term a tax, nor is it made less obnoxious or burdensome if called a fee or a fine. In the figures that follow therefore, all fees, fines, and other exactions, if any, are included with the taxes upon polls and estates. To illustrate the comparative importance of the two classes, it may be said that the taxes upon polls and estates represent about 95 per cent. and all other income about 5 per cent. of the total revenue of the state, and of the counties, cities, towns, districts and precincts therein.

Taxes as defined above have increased by leaps and bounds in recent years. In 1903 the sum of all the taxes assessed by and within the state of New Hampshire was \$5,373,420.22; in 1913 it was \$8,765,039.07, an increase of \$3,391,618.85, or 63 per cent., in ten years. But these figures do not adequately represent the velocity the upward movement has now attained. To show that it is necessary to divide the ten-year period. The levy in 1908 was \$924,388.79, or 17 per cent. greater than in 1903, while that in 1913 was \$2,467,230.06, or 39 per cent. greater than in 1908. By so much did the advance in the last half of said period exceed that in the first half. These figures will be the more alarming if it is remembered that while taxes already sufficiently heavy were advancing 63 per cent., the population of the state increased only about $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., and while the one was advancing 39 per cent., the other increased only about $2\frac{1}{4}$ per cent.

It is instructive to study the subject from another angle. In

the ten years from 1904 to 1914, both inclusive, the annual increase in all taxes defined and limited as above was as follows:

1914	\$34,459.91
1905	286,590.14
1906	115,468.39
1907	411,257.46
1908	76,612.89
1909	539,995.97
1910	787,565.31
1911	215,848.50
1912	296,216.85
1913	627,603.43

The average yearly increase for the whole period was \$336,561.85. The upward trend is more plainly shown, however, by dividing, as before, the ten-year period in the middle and considering the halves separately. For the first five years the average annual increase was \$184,877.76; for the last five years it was \$493,446.01. It is surely pertinent to consider how long the little state of New Hampshire, almost stationary in wealth, can sustain a tax already burdensome and increasing at the rate of practically half a million dollars a year without crippling her industries and impoverishing her people. Plainly it is a condition not calculated to attract capital from without the state or to encourage business within the same.

From the per capita standpoint, the situation is not less disturbing. In 1903 there were assessed \$12.88 in taxes for each man, woman and child in the state. Five years later there were assessed \$14.75 for each individual, and in five years more \$20.09. If in 1913 taxes had been equally distributed among all the people it would have meant a burden of \$100 for each family of five members. Though in reality there was little such equality in the assessment there was much in the payment. The fact is that those who occupy, use or consume property, no matter who owns it, are those who in the last analysis pay most, if not all, of the taxes thereon. If the wage earner or the man of limited means understood he was in reality paying something like \$100 a year in state and municipal and half as much more in federal taxes for the government of himself, his wife and three children, his influence and his vote would more frequently make for economy in appropriations and expenditures than heretofore.

No statistics for the year 1914 appear in the above paragraphs for the reason that they are not yet at hand except in part.

Births Registered in the Town of Orange, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1914.

Date.	Place of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color Parents.		Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
			Male.	Female.			No. of Child.	Color.			
			Living or Stillborn.								
1914 Feb. 9	Orange	Larry	M	Living	2 w	Asa C. Lary	Annie M. Sanborn	w	Canaan	Lumber Bus'n's	Orange
Mich. 4	"	Richard F. Bliss	M	"	3	Pred Harry Bliss	Florence W. Wescott	Orange	"	Teamster	Canaan
Apr. 21	"	Eastman	M	"	7	Melvin B. Eastman	Daisy B. Cate	"	"	Farmer	Hooksett
July 17	"	Eastman	F	"	6	Everett E. Eastman	Viola Lane	"	"	"	Orange

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. R. EASTMAN, Town Clerk.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Orange, N. H., for the Year Ending December 31, 1914.

Date.	Place of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age			Place of Birth.	Sex & Condition.			Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
			Years.	Months.	Days.		Male.	Female.	Color.		Single Married or Widowed.	Father.		
1914 May 12	Grafton	Hannah M. French	74	9		Warren								
Dec. 14	Danbury	Amy Brock	70	11	14	Alexandria	F	w		Widowed			Asa Martin	Dianthia Sleeper
" 21	Orange	David Ford					M	F		Divorced				
										Housekeeper Housework Teamster				

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Marriages Registered in the Town of Orange, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1914.

Date.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom & Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in Years.	Color of Each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of Each.	Name of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Name, Residence, and Official Station of Person by whom Married.
1914 Mar. 31	Brattleboro, Vt.	Roy Arlington Wood Livie Ardell Peaslee	Athol, Mass. Orange	31 38	W H	Clerk Housekeeper	Orange, Mass. Sanbornton	Henry A. Wood Jennie E. Lucas	Orange, Mass. Cambridge, Mass.		Carl S. Hopkins, Justice of the Peace Brattleboro, Vt.
Aug. 12	Canaan	Henry Brown Gould Roxie Doten Stevens	" "	22 18	H H	Farmer Teacher	Shrewsbury Vt. Orange	Wm. S. Huse Clara A. French Wm. B. Gould Leonla Glenn	Orange California E. Clarendon, Vt. Orange	Farmer Housewife Farmer	Rev. C. W. Taylor, Canaan, N. H.
Nov. 14	"	Carl E. Cate Harriet B. Coldwell	" "	25 19	H H	Lumberman Housekeeper	Bristol Orange	Albert Cate Flora E. Simonds Warrin Coldwell	Canaan Bristol Worcester	Painter Weaver Bookkeeper	Rev. C. W. Taylor, Canaan, N. H.
Dec. 19	"	Lewis R. Smith Bernice N. Hill	" "	22 16	H H	Farmer Housekeeper	" Grafton	Mary J. Redden Harvey R. Smith Clara J. Hazelton Walter H. Hill Laura Rollins	Orange Hebron Orange Enfield	Farmer Housekeeper Farmer Housekeeper	Rev. C. W. Taylor, Canaan, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct according to the best of my knowledge and belief. W. R. EASTMAN, Town Clerk.

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